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For: GLOBAL AMPLIFICATION USING A  
RANDOMLY PRIMED COMPOSITE PRIMER

Examiner: C. Babic

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated April 21, 2006 (Paper No./Mail Date 2006414), for which a response was due on July 21, 2006. Filed herewith are a petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to October 21, 2006 (which fell on a Saturday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein, are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 23 of this paper.